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Wildland Fire Contracting Open House Announced

COLVILLE, WASH. (December 17, 2015) The Pacific Northwest Fire and Aviation Contracting Team along with representatives from the Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will be hosting two open house style meetings to discuss fire contracting for the 2016 fire season. Representatives will provide information for current and prospective contractors interested in learning how to enroll for the 2016 fire season.

There are a number of types of equipment and services that are contracted during the fire season to help aid fire and other incident support. A few examples are:

- Water Tenders and Engines
- Heavy Equipment
- Refrigerated Trailers
- Weed Washing Units
- Office and Clerical Support
- Vehicles with Drivers
- Potable/Grey Water Trucks
- Chippers
- Fallers
- Mechanics with Service Trucks
- Mobile Laundry Units

There will be two meetings in eastern Washington:

January 27, 2016

5:00-8:00pm
Spokane Community College
985 S Elm St
Colville, WA 99114

February 1, 2016

6:00 – 8:00pm
Confluence Technology Center
285 Technology Center Way
Wenatchee, WA 98801

This is a great opportunity to meet with contracting representatives to learn the process and requirements for becoming a wildland fire contractor or vendor.

Additional information or updates will be posted to the Region 6 Fire and Aviation Contracting Team's website at: www.fs.usda.gov/goto/r6/workingtogether/contracting/fact or you can email the U.S. Forest Service Contract Operations at fact@fs.fed.us. For additional information regarding agreements with Washington State DNR, please visit: <http://www.dnr.wa.gov/CallWhenNeeded>

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